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I-5 CARPOOL LANE FROM 118 TO 14 -- UPDATE #2

ADDITIONAL CLOSURES 5-17 TO 5-21 FOR I-5 HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE (HOV) CARPOOL LANE -INCLUDES FULL SOUTHBOUND I-5 CLOSURE EARLY MORNING 5-21

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following additional lanes, ramps and connectors of the Golden State Freeway (I-5) from May 17 through May 20 -- as part of a \$41.6-million project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle, (HOV), or carpool lanes on northbound and southbound I-5 from Route 118 to Route 14:

• From 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 to 6 a.m. Wednesday, May 18:

The northbound I-5 off-ramp to Brand Boulevard
The northbound I-5 off-ramp to San Fernando Mission Boulevard
The Laurel Canyon Bouelvard on-ramp to northbound I-5

• From 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 to 8 a.m. Wednesday, May 18:

One to three lanes of northbound I-5 from **Route 118 to I-405**One to four lanes of northbound I-5 from **Balboa Boulevard to Route 14**

From 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18 to 5 a.m. Thursday, May 19:
 The southbound Route 14 connector to southbound I-5
 Two to four lanes of southbound I-5 from Route 14 to Balboa Boulevard
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From 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18 to 5 a.m. Thursday, May 19:

One to two lanes of southbound I-5 from **I-405 to Route 118** The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Balboa Boulevard

• From 7 p.m. Thursday, May 19 to 6 a.m. Friday, May 20:

Two to four lanes of southbound I-5 from Route 14 to Roxford Street

The westbound Route 210 connector to northbound I-5

The southbound I-5 connector to the southbound truck routes to I-5 and Route 14

The Brand Boulevard on-ramp to southbound I-5

The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Paxton Street

The southbound I-5 connector to eastbound Route 118

The southbound I-5 connector to eastbound Route 210

The southbound I-5 off-ramp to San Fernando Mission Boulevard

The San Fernando Mission Boulevard on-ramps to southbound I-5

• From 10 p.m. Thursday, May 19 to 5 a.m. Friday, May 20:

One to two lanes of southbound I-5 from I-405 to Route 118

• From 6 p.m. Friday, May 20 to noon Saturday, May 21:

The Brand Boulevard on-ramp to southbound I-5

The Paxton Street on-ramp to southbound I-5

The southbound I-5 connector to eastbound Route 118

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• From 7 p.m. Friday, May 20 to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 21:

One to four lanes of southbound I-5 from **Route 14 to Roxford Street**The southbound I-5 off-ramp to San Fernando Mission Boulevard
The San Fernando Mission Boulevard on-ramps to southbound I-5
The Brand Boulevard on-ramp to southbound I-5

• From 11 p.m. Friday, May 20 to 7 a.m. Saturday, May 21:

One to two lanes of southbound I-5 from I-405 to Route 118

• From 7 p.m. Friday, May 20 to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 21:

One to five lanes of southbound I-5 from Route 14 to I-405

• From 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday, May 21:

ALL (6) LANES of southbound I-5 from Route 14 to I-405

From 4 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 21:

One to five lanes of southbound I-5 from Route 14 to I-405

Closures are weather permitting and subject to change. Signs and detours will be posted to assist motorists. Caltrans reminds motorists that traffic fines are doubled in freeway work zones, and to please **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE**.

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